

State of Minnesota
County of ChisagoDistrict Court
10th Judicial DistrictProsecutor File No. CR-2023-1324
Court File No. 13-CR-23-862State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,**COMPLAINT**
Order of Detention

vs.

MIKE LARRY CARDA DOB: 12/28/198342130 Elmcrest Avenue
Harris, MN 55032

Defendant.

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I**Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated**

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.19.1

Maximum Sentence: 40 years

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/06/2023 to 10/06/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23033495

Charge Description: On or about Friday, October 6, 2023 the defendant cause the death of Sarah Jane Carda with intent to effect the death of the victim or another, but without premeditation .The offense occurred in Chisago County, Minnesota.

COUNT II**Charge: Attempt Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated**

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.19.1, 609.17.1

Maximum Sentence: 20 years

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/06/2023 to 10/06/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23033495

Charge Description: On or about Friday, October 6, 2023 the defendant attempt to cause the death of Deputy Hanson with intent to effect the death of the victim or another, but without premeditation .The offense occurred in Chisago County, Minnesota.

COUNT III**Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon**

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 Years Imprisonment and/or \$14,000 Fine

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/06/2023 to 10/06/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23033495

Charge Description: On or about Friday, October 6, 2023 the defendant assaulted another, to-wit: Deputy Hanson, with a dangerous weapon .The offense occurred in Chisago County, Minnesota.

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STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota
10/9/2023

On October 6, 2023, at approximately 11:54 a.m., Chisago County Sheriff's Deputy Hanson learned from Dispatch of a domestic incident occurring at 42130 Elmcrest, Fish Lake Township, Chisago County. Deputy Hanson learned that T.A.B., DOB 10/27/66, was outside the address and could hear arguing inside the house. Dispatch advised the home was flagged as having a large number of weapons.

Deputy Hanson arrived on the scene and met with T.A.B. at the end of the driveway to the home. T.A.B.'s daughter lived in the home. T.A.B. was visibly shaking and said she had heard arguing inside coming from the bedroom.

Deputy Hanson had T.A.B. stay back behind his squad car. Deputy Hanson approached the home and could hear voices coming from inside the home. He was approximately 40 yards away from the home at that point.

Deputy Hanson approached the home and went to the front door. There were two smaller windows to the left of the door. Deputy stepped on a front deck near the front door and heard a male's voice coming from the area by the two smaller windows. He believed that area was the bedroom.

As he stood there he heard the male's voice again. He was unable to understand what the male was saying. He could not see anything through a window on the door. He knocked on the door and got no response. He knocked again and announced "Sheriff's Office." There was still no response. He checked the door handle and it was locked. He could still hear a male's voice coming from the bedroom.

Deputy Hanson stepped over to the side by the windows and knocked on the glass and announced "Sheriff's office.". Immediately after knocking on the glass, a female's voice said "he has a gun." Deputy Hanson then heard gun shots from the bedroom. He backed away from the window he had just knocked on and three more rounds were shot through the same window from the bedroom. He had backed away only two feet from where the bullets had gone through the window. The bullets had exited at "head-level."

Deputy Hanson left the front deck and heard a muffled shot come from the bedroom. While waiting for additional officers, commands were given over a PA system for the occupants to come out of the house.

Numerous law enforcement arrived on the scene, including SWAT team members.

Repeated efforts were made to get the occupants to come out. A window was ultimately removed and a drone was flown into the home. The drone entered the bedroom and provided live video of the bedroom. A female was on the bed with a head wound. She appeared to be dead. A male was also observed in the bedroom as well as two long guns on the floor at the end of the bed.

The male, later fully identified as MIKE LARRY CARDA, DOB 12/28/1983, THE DEFENDANT HEREIN was told repeatedly that he was under arrest and to come out of the home. The deceased female was later identified as the Defendant's wife, Sarah Jane Carda, DOB 08/11/88. A preliminary autopsy later determined she had three gun shot wounds to her head.

The Defendant refused to come out of the home. Various non-lethal methods were used in an attempt to get him to leave the home, none successfully. Ultimately a K-9 was used to remove him from the bed and he was arrested. A handgun was located in the bed where the Defendant had been.

The Defendant already had a pending domestic assault case involving his wife and was subject to a

domestic abuse no contact order.

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SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

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Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Robert Berg
Sergeant
15230 Per Road
Center City, MN 55012
Badge: 113

Electronically Signed:
10/09/2023 10:48 AM
Chisago County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Chris Anderson
313 N Main St
Center City, MN 55012
(651) 213-8400

Electronically Signed:
10/09/2023 10:42 AM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

☐ **SUMMONS**

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

☐ **WARRANT**

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

☐ *Execute in MN Only*☐ *Execute Nationwide*☐ *Execute in Border States*☒ **ORDER OF DETENTION**

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$

Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: October 9, 2023.

Judicial Officer

Jesse L Seabrooks II

Electronically Signed: 10/09/2023 10:57 AM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

COUNTY OF CHISAGO
STATE OF MINNESOTA

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

Mike Larry Carda

Defendant

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of Detention upon the Defendant herein named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: